

STEADY STATE TEMPERATURE PROFILE IN A
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We have developed a new theory to calculate the steady state temperature profile in a cylindrical sample positioned along the entire axis of a cylindrical microwave cavity. Temperature profiles were computed for alumina rods of various radii excited by one of the TM_{0n0} modes with $n = 1, 2$ or 3 . Sample surface and center temperature will be presented as a function of total sample absorbed power or electric field strength at the sample surface. An approach for attaining more uniform heating within the sample by reducing the magnitude of the inverted temperature profile using a concentric outer cylindrical tube will be discussed. [Work supported by NASA]